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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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| In re Application of: |) | |
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| KENTARO YANO, ET AL. |) | |
| | : | Group Art Unit: Unassigned |
| Application No.: 10/608,023 |) | |
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| Filed: June 30, 2003 |) | |
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| For: RECORDING SYSTEM AND CON- |) | |
| TROLLING METHOD THEREFOR | : | September 8, 2003 |

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449.

The Examiner's attention is also directed to the following U.S. Application:

| <u>APPLICATION NO.</u> | <u>FILING DATE</u> | <u>GROUP ART UNIT</u> | <u>APPLICANT(S)</u> |
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| 10/368,600 | 02/20/2003 | 2851 | Masao Kato, et al. |

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2)(iii), a copy of the cited U.S.

Application is enclosed.

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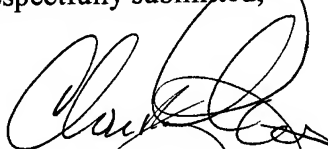
It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that an initialed copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

FEE STATEMENT

The present Information Disclosure Statement is being filed within three (3) months of the filing date of the present application or prior to the mailing of a first Official Action on the merits of the application. Accordingly, Applicants believe that no fee is necessitated by the filing of this paper. Nevertheless, the Assistant Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee necessitated by the filing of this paper to Deposit Account No. 06-1205.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Christopher Wrist", is written over a horizontal line. The signature is enclosed within a large, hand-drawn oval.

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